United States Bankruptcy Court Southern District of Texas

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February 09, 2024 Nathan Ochsner, Clerk

## UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS HOUSTON DIVISION

In re:	§	
	§	Case No. 22-60043
FREE SPEECH SYSTEMS, LLC.,	§	Chapter 11 (Subchapter V)
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Debtor.	§	

## ORDER SETTING PLAN CONFIRMATION DEADLINES PURSUANT TO RULE 3017.2 OF THE FEDERAL RULES OF BANKRUPTCY PROCEDURE

On this day, came on to be considered the Plan Confirmation Deadlines Pursuant to Rule 3017.2 of Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure. The Court finds that the Debtor filed its *First Amended Plan of Reorganization Under Subchapter V of the Bankruptcy Code* ("**Plan**") on November 18, 2023 [ECF # 756]. Rule 3017.2 of Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure ("**Rules**") requires the Court to fix dates in connection with voting and confirmation of the Plan.

## ACCORDINGLY, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

1. The following dates and deadlines shall govern confirmation of the Plan and the conduct of the Confirmation Hearing:

Event	Date
Written Discovery Deadline. The deadline by which the Debtor, creditors and any other parties in interest (collectively the "Parties") shall serve discovery relating to the Plan, potential objections thereto, and any other matters to be heard at the Confirmation Hearing (the "Requests"). The Parties shall meet and confer in good faith regarding timing and any requested extension of response deadline.	Tuesday, January 9, 2024
<b>Substantial Completion of Document Production.</b> The date by which the Parties shall substantially complete the production of documents in response to the Requests. This Order is without prejudice to the Parties right to object to the Requests and all such rights	Friday, January 26, 2024

are expressly reserved. Parties and any other		
recipients of the Requests must commence		
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production of documents in response to		
Requests as soon as reasonably possible and		
shall roll out document production in		
tranches, as available. Parties and any other		
recipients of the Requests shall not wait until		
the substantial completion deadline to		
commence production.		
Solicitation Mailing/Publication Deadline.		
The date by which the Debtor shall mail a	Friday, February 2, 2024	
copy of the Plan together with a ballot for	111day, 1 col ual y 2, 2024	
creditors to register their votes on the Plan.		
<b>Privilege Log Deadline.</b> The date by which		
the Parties shall have provided logs of		
documents responsive to the Requests that	Tuesday, January 30, 2024	
were withheld or redacted on the basis of any		
claim or privilege.		
Preliminary Witness Lists. The date by		
which the Parties shall exchange lists of	Thursday Eshmany 22, 2024	
witnesses each such party in good faith	Thursday, February 23, 2024	
expects to call at the Confirmation Hearing.		
Fact Witness Depositions. The dates during	T1 F-127 Th1	
which the Parties shall conduct fact witness	Tuesday, February 27 – Thursday,	
depositions.	February29, 2024	
<b>Production of Materials Relied Upon in</b>		
<b>Expert Reports.</b> The date by which the		
Parties shall produce copies of any documents		
or data that were (a) relied on by such party's	Wednesday, March 6, 2024	
expert in forming the opinions contained in	,	
such report and (b) have not already been		
produced in these cases.		
<b>Expert Reports.</b> The date by which the		
Parties shall simultaneously exchange expert		
reports, with a date for rebuttal reports (if		
needed) to be determined by the Parties	Friday, March 8, 2024	
intending to serve such reports. Bankruptcy	A A AMONG STANDARD OF MOMIT	
Rule 7026 shall apply in its entirely to any		
expert reports exchanged.		
Objections to Plan Due. The date by which		
objections to the Plan must be filed.	Friday, March 8, 2024	
Balloting Deadline. The date by which		
creditors and interest holders must return their	Friday, February 23, 2024, at 5:00 PM Prevailing Central Time	
ballots accepting or rejecting the Plan.		
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Filing of Ballot Summary. The date by	T 1 7 1 07 0004	
which the Debtor must file a report summarizing the Plan balloting.	Tuesday, February 27, 2024	
Exchange of Final Witness and Exhibit		
Lists. The date by which the Parties shall		
serve a final list of witnesses and exhibits		
they intend to offer at the Confirmation		
Hearing. Witness lists shall identify all	Friday, March 8, 2024	
witnesses that each party will call and may		
call at the Confirmation Hearing and shall		
provide a brief summary of the anticipated		
testimony of each witness.		
<b>Exchange of Exhibits.</b> The deadline by	Friday, March 8, 2024, 12 pm CT	
which the Parties shall exchange exhibits with		
each other.		
Objections to Final Witness and Exhibit		
<b>Lists.</b> The date by which the Parties must	Monday, March 18, 2024	
serve any objections to the final witness and		
exhibit lists.		
<b>Expert Depositions.</b> The dates during which	Tuesday, March 19, 2024 – Wednesday,	
the Parties shall conduct expert witness	March 20 2024	
depositions.  Meet and Confer. The deadline by which the		
Parties shall exchange shall meet and confer	Wednesday, March 20, 2024/Thursday	
concerning any objections to witnesses or	March 21, 2024	
exhibits	Waith 21, 2024	
Filing of Final Witness and Exhibit Lists		
with the Clerk of the Court. The deadline		
by which the Parties shall file final exhibit	Thursday March 21, 2024	
and witness lists with the Clerk of the Court.		
Final Pretrial Conference. The date on		
which the Parties shall, subject to the Court's	TI 1 M 1 21 2024	
availability, participate in a final pretrial	Thursday March 21, 2024	
conference.		
<b>Reply to Objections.</b> The date by which the		
Parties must file their reply to all timely	Thursday March 21, 2024	
objections to the Plan.		
Confirmation Hearing Dates. The hearing	Monday March 25, 2024 – Wednesday	
date for consideration by the Court of Plan	March 27, 2023	
confirmation.	,	

2. **Service.** The Parties agree to serve by email on all other Parties all discovery requests and written responses. Parties producing electronically stored information shall

simultaneously transmit or make available such productions to all Parties that are bound by the

Stipulated Confidentiality Agreement and Protective Order, dated February 14, 2023 [FSS

ECF No. 461; Jones ECF No. 159].

3. **Discovery Disputes.** The Parties shall promptly seek Court intervention regarding

any disputes that cannot be resolved consensually, which disputes shall be heard by the Court

on an expedited basis.

4. **Confirmation Hearing.** The Parties will meet and confer on the details of the

Confirmation Hearing, including the sequencing and length of witness testimony and the

presentation of other evidence.

5. **Amendments or Modifications.** The Court may amend or modify the terms of

this Order for good cause shown.

6. **Retention of Jurisdiction.** This Court shall retain jurisdiction over any and all

matters arising from or related to the interpretation of this Order.

Signed: February 09, 2024

Christopher Lopez

United States Bankruptcy Judge